Wi-Fi Network - Acceptable Use Policy

[NAMED] church grants you access to its Wi-Fi network providing you agree to abide by this policy.

**1. Introduction**

This policy outlines the standards which the church requires all users of its electronic communications systems and equipment to follow.

**2. What is covered by the Policy?**

The use of the Wi-Fi network supplied by the church.

**3. Who is covered by the policy?**

This policy covers all individuals who wish to use the Wi-Fi network supplied by the church.

**4. Internet Use**

It is our church policy not to allow unsupervised internet access to any child/young person under 18 nor vulnerable adults. Should individuals or groups wish to use our Wifi facilities, they must ensure under 18’s and vulnerable adults follow this policy, or internet access will be withdrawn.

Users are reminded that their use of the Internet will be directly traceable to our Internet address. We therefore ask you not to visit sites which are:

* Illegal under current law;
* Defamatory, threatening or intimidatory or which could be classed as harassment;
* Contain obscene, profane or abusive language;
* Contain pornographic material whether in writing, pictures, films or video clips;
* Contain offensive material regarding sex, race, religion, disability, sexual orientation or any other legally protected characteristic
* Infringe third party rights or are otherwise unlawful.

**5. Internet Content**

The church reserves the right to block access to any site.

The church will take reasonable steps to block any site that it deems inappropriate. However, we cannot guarantee that all inappropriate content will be blocked. If you gain access to a site that you deem inappropriate, close your web browser immediately.

**6. Systems and Data Security**

The church will provide Internet access via the wireless network and will undertake reasonable steps to ensure it is secure from unauthorised users. However, no guarantee can be made to this effect. You are responsible for your own anti-virus and anti-malware precautions. The church will not be held responsible for any damage to your equipment whilst connected to its network.

You should not attempt to gain access to restricted areas of the network or to any password protected information without being duly authorised to do so.

**7. Monitoring and Compliance**

The church reserves the right to protect its network and systems by recording user ACTIVITY but not CONTENT. That is to say, no CONTENT will be captured but that a list of surfing activity may be recorded:

* To ensure that the use of the system is legitimate and in accordance with this policy;
* To comply with any legal obligation.

If your use constitutes a criminal offence, the information will be handed to the police.

**8. Specific Permissions to you**

Wireless access to the Internet in accordance with this policy.

**9. Wi-FI Availability**

We don’t charge you for using the Wi-Fi. So you accept that sometimes, for technical, legal or operational reasons, it may not be available. We may also control the types of material that can be sent or received over the Wi-Fi. If we want to we can also suspend your access at any time in our sole discretion without responsibility to you. Your use of the Wi-Fi is at your own risk and we are not responsible to you for any damages, losses, costs or expenses you suffer because the Wi-Fi is unavailable, does not operate as expected or causes loss or damage to any data.